## REMARKS

The present application is the United States National Phase of International Patent Application PCT/EP2004/013547.

Claims 1 and 2, as presented herein, are in the form in which they were amended before the International Bureau on September 23, 2005.

Claims 3-5, 8, 10-13, 15, 17-20, and 22-23 have been amended to delete the multiple dependent format of the original PCT claims.

New Claim 25 corresponds to PCT Claim 3/2; new Claim 26 corresponds to PCT Claim 8/3; new Claim 27 corresponds to PCT Claim 8/4; new Claim 28 corresponds to PCT Claim 10/9; new Claim 29 corresponds to PCT Claim 15/14; new Claim 30 corresponds to PCT Claim 17/14; new Claim 31 corresponds to PCT Claim 19/14; new Claim 32 corresponds to PCT Claim 22/21; and new Claim 33 corresponds to PCT Claim 23/14.

Also enclosed are copies of the amendments made to the specification before the International Bureau, and English translations of those amendments.

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